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WHATS INSIDE THIS WEEK

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OUR VISION

To provide in partnership with home and community the educational opportunities for all pupils to develop into life long learners who actively contribute to society in a positive way.



5TH APRIL 2017.....

Kia ora koutou, jumreap sooa, magándang hapon, nĩn hǎo, hello.
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There were two new cheerful faces in Room 1 on Monday, as Harriet Stretton and Mason Coster started school. Happy school days Mason and Harriet.

Congratulations to the 74 students from our school who competed in the Weetbix Tryathlon last week. Every person who has spoken to me about it has said what a great occasion it was and the competitors obviously loved the experience.

We would love to see as many of our school families as possible attend the Anzac Service next Thursday at 11.45am.

SPORTS ASSEMBLY – MONDAY APRIL 10TH 9.15AM.....
A special assembly will be held to present the Year 3-8 Swimming Sports ribbons and the certificates for the School Triathlon.

ANZAC SERVICE.....
We welcome you all to join us for our short ANZAC Service on the last day of the term at 11.45am, on the grass area outside the staffroom or in the hall, if it is wet (how unlikely!).
Following the service and to celebrate the end of the term the PTA will be cooking sausages for lunch and selling cold drinks and sweets.
An order form for sausages is included with this newsletter so the PTA has an idea of approximately how many will be required.

Congratulations to the following students who received Principal Awards at our recent Celebration Assembly:
Royden Whitham, Dylan Chilcott, Esme Warner, Archie Bunting, Serenity Trinder-Poutu, Aiden Morgan, Riley Ulrich, Nicholas Chitten-den, Luke Peters, Issiah Bhana, Jackson Kilgour, Kacie Bishop, Kyle Beard, Katie Martin, Charlotte Roach, Isikeli Ligavatu, Ashanti van Beveren Tumai, Isabel Thomas, Leo Lea’ana, Aaliyah Blake, Noah Hooper, Jesse Leach, Alexa Hale, Shanae Cameron, Heath Cummings, Tayla Fredrickson, Lucas Lyford, Tyler Roderick, Ayla White, Heera Lopinti, Tjay Lomax, Hunter Gordon, Milan Coster.
Well done also to Amber Jordan who has earned her Services Award.

FURTHER SURVEY ANALYSIS.....

I feel welcome at school.			
Strongly Agree/Agree	96.50%	Don't Agree / Strongly Disagree	3.45%
Parents /community are encouraged to participate in school activities.			
Strongly Agree/Agree	100%	Don't Agree / Strongly Disagree	
If I have any concerns or issues they have been effectively addressed.			
Strongly Agree/Agree	89.66%	Don't Agree / Strongly Disagree	
The Board of Trustees governs the school effectively.			
Strongly Agree/Agree	72.41%	Don't Agree / Strongly Disagree	
High levels of trust and respect exist between the staff, students and community.			
Strongly Agree/Agree	89.66%	Don't Agree / Strongly Disagree	
Bell Block School displays and promotes respect for other cultures.			
Strongly Agree/Agree	89.66%	Don't Agree / Strongly Disagree	

TE REO PHRASE OF THE WEEK.....
Pā / Fortified village

TUCKSHOP.....
THIS WEEK’S SPECIAL ... Nachos \$5
Congratulations to Savannah in Room 8 and Liam in Room 16 for being drawn to win a lunch valued at \$6 from the Tuckshop!

SCHOOL TRIATHLON 2017 RESULTS.....

Individuals:			
Year 3 Boys	1st	Nico Jordan	
	2nd	Cordae Wipiiti-Boylan	
	3rd	Quin Jeffries	
	4th	Dylan Roderick	
Year 4 Boys	1st	Nate Kidney	
	2nd	Ollie McCallum	
	3rd	Dahvade Pihama-Jeffrey	
	4th	Kyle Beard	
Year 5 Boys	1st	Sam Hunger	
	2nd	Cade Johnstone	
	3rd	Tyler Reade	
	4th	Dylan Chilcott	
Year 6 Boys	1st	Tyrehse Ruwhiu	
	2nd	Cooper Pringle	
	3rd	Kaiden Lyes	
	4th	Amy Ellis	
Year 7 Boys	1st	Flint Roderick	
	2nd	Dylan Benton	
	3rd	Arlo Jordan	
	4th	Elijah Daken	
Year 8 Boys	1st	Zharn Kidney	
	2nd	Kristian Magon	
	3rd	Ashdin Tuuta-de Thierry	
	4th	Jackson Kilgour	
Year 3 Girls	1st	Milla Ellis	
	2nd	Adele Keighley	
	3rd	Katie Martin	
	4th	Keily Hooper	
Year 4 Girls	1st	Charlize Duncan	
	2nd	Ruby Evans	
	3rd	Cian Flannagan	
	4th	Saffron Caldwell	
Year 5 Girls	1st	Lara Murdoch	
	2nd	Aimee Hooper	
	3rd	Samara Lester	
	4th	Mia Padrutt	
Year 6 Girls	1st	Abby Gardner-Harrison	
	2nd	Lauren Keighley	
	3rd	Zharna Frost	
Year 7 Girls	1st	Tiana Wright	
	2nd	Kiera Johnstone	
	3rd	Alaina Maltby	
	4th	Imogen Paris	
Year 8 Girls	1st	Campbell Smith	
	2nd	Aimee Witehira	
	3rd	Jade Hassall	
	4th	Samantha Reade	

Swimming Sports Correction: It was Summer Taylor who won the Year 3 Girls Backstroke race.

TIME TO RETURN UNIFORMS.....
Now that the Touch and Cricket seasons have come to a close, please return all school shirts to the office as soon as possible. Accounts will be sent home in order to cover the cost of shirts not returned to school. Thank you for your assistance with this.

FROM THE SENIOR TEAM ... KIDBLOG.....
This term Room 8 and 9 have been busy setting up our classroom blogs. Here is a sample of writing from Room 8’s Blog:

*Lightning strikes across the beach
Like a yellow meteorite
The pine trees stand tall
Like guards protecting the beach
Rain drips from the sky
Thunder what sounds like
The rumbling tummies of Giants
The smell of stinky salty seaweed
As sunlight beams through the clouds
by Shion Boyd*

Feel free to go onto our classroom blogs and read your child’s work. You can give feedback on their writing in the comments section. The students love getting feedback from an audience! The blogs are accessible through the Bell Block School website, under the Classrooms section.

MEET THE LEADERS.....
Kia ora, my name is Amber Jordan and I am so honoured and excited to be one of your amazing Kotuku Whanau Leaders for the first half of 2017. My goal as a Leader is to strive to be the best I can be, get involved with the students and activities around the school and set a good example for others to follow so we can all be “Our Best Always”.



PTA NEWS.....
The PTA is putting together some information regarding our Gala while it is still fresh in our minds. Teachers and PTA members have given their feedback already and now we would like to hear from you. We want to know what worked well and what we need to focus on next time around. We hope that this will help us when organising our future Galas.
If you could hand in your answers to the questions below into the office before the end of Term one that would be great. Alternatively, you can email Gosta on gosta.duncan@gmail.com. Thank you.

1. What did you like about the gala?
2. What were your favourite events?
3. What events did you not enjoy?
4. What could we improve on?
5. Ideas for next time?
6. Any other comments?

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR	
Wednesday 5 April.....	Orientation Morning for prospective new families EPR08 Challenge Y7/8 Basketball registrations close
Thursday 6 April.....	EPR08 Challenge Y5/6 Immunisations Y7/8 - 11:30am in the Library
Friday 7 April.....	Celebration Assembly – 2pm in the hall
Monday 10 April.....	Sports Assembly – 9:15am in the hall Tony Kemp Cup Rugby League Tournament 10am at Clifton Park
Thursday 13 April.....	Last day of term ANZAC Service – 11:45am on front lawn
Friday 14 April.....	Good Friday
Monday 1 May.....	First day of Term two

*On behalf of the staff
Roz Miller, Principal*